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SUBJECT: MPLA RESPONDS TO FNLA COMMUNIQUE

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1. IN A COMMUNIQUE OF MAY 7 THE FNLA ACCUSED MPLA OF STARTING TROUBLE IN LUANDA AND OF ATTACKING FNLA SUPPORTERS. MPLA RESPONDED ON MAY 8.

2. FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY:

A. IT IS FALSE THAT THE MPLA IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PRESENT LACK OF SECURITY IN LUANDA. THE TRUE CULPRITS ARE THE PSEUDO-NATIONALIST FORCES AT THE SERVICE OF INTERNATIONAL IMPERIALISM, WHO ARE TRYING TO CREATE CHAOS IN ORDER TO JUSTIFY FOREIGN INTERVENTION. ONE OF THE OBJECTIVES OF THE RECENT VIOLENCE WAS THE CANCELLATION OF MAY DAY ACTIVITIES, WHICH WOULD HAVE CONSTITUTED A VICTORY OF THE ANGOLAN PEOPLE IN THE STRUGGLE AGAINST IMPERIALISM.

B. FNLA HAS SAID THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE REFUGEES ARE FNLA SYMPATHIZERS. IN FACT, THE REFUGEES NOW LODGED IN SCHOOLS

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PUT THE ENTIRE BLAME FOR THE WAVE OF TERROR IN THE GHETTOS ON

THE FNLA.

C. THE MPLA CALLS THE ATTENTION OF THE ANGOLAN PEOPLE TO THE FNLA ATTEMPT TO CREATE CONFUSION BY ACCUSING MPLA OF TRIBALIST MOTIVATION. THIS TACTIC, SO OFTEN USED BY THE FASCIST COLONIALISTS, IS DESIGNED TO DIVIDE THE ANGOLAN PEOPLE.

D. MPLA POINTS OUT THAT FNLA ONCE AGAIN USES A TRIBAL ARGUMENT WHEN IT SAYS THAT KIKONGOS, LALANGINOS (AND OTHER NORTHERN GROUPS) ARE FLEEING LUANDA. THE EXODUS THAT IS TAKING PLACE FROM LUANDA KNOWS NO TRIBE OR COLOR AND ITS CAUSE IS THE CLIMATE OF CHAOS DELIBERATELY CREATED BY THE FNLA.

E. (FNLA HAD STATED THAT THE MPLA SLOGAN "THE STRUGGLE CONTINUES" IS PROOF OF MPLA'S AGGRESSIVE INTENTIONS). MPLA HAS ALWAYS STRUGGLED FOR THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE ANGOLAN PEOPLE. ANGOLA IS STILL NOT FREE, STILL REMAINS AT THE MERCY OF THE INTERNATIONAL MONOPOLISTS THROUGH THEIR ANGOLAN AGENTS AND THE STRUGGLE WILL CONTINUE AGAINST EXPLOITATION UNTIL COMPLETE INDEPENDENCE IS ACHIEVED. THE ENEMIES OF THE PEOPLE HAVE TWISTED THE PHRASE TO MEAN "WAR AGAINST WHITES" WHICH IS MANIFESTLY FALSE.

F. MPLA POINTS OUT THAT THE FNLA IN ITS COMMUNIQUE OF MAY 7 RECOGNIZES ITS CRIMINAL ACTION IN AMBRIZETE, TOMBOCO AND SAO SALVADOR (IN NORTHERN ANGOLA) WHEN IT STATES THAT WHAT HAPPENED THERE WAS AN INSTINCTIVE REACTION TO WHAT THE MPLA STARTED. KILLORAN

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